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CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION

MEGAN J. BLAIN, and LORIE STEARNS:

DOCKET NO. EMsh03080256 EEOC NO. 24FA300235 DOCKET NO. EMsh03080258 EEOC NO. 24FA300238

Complainants,

VS.

COMPLETE STOP, INC.;

Respondent.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER

On April 4, 2007, Robert D. Lange, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") for the Indiana Civil Rights Commission ("ICRC"), entered his Proposed Findings Of Fact, Conclusions Of Law, And Order ("the proposed decision").

No objections have been filed to the ICRC's adoption of the proposed decision.

Having carefully considered the foregoing and being duly advised in the premises, the ICRC hereby adopts as its own the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order proposed by the ALJ in the proposed decision, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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Dated: 20 April 2007

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# PROPOSED FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER

On April 3, 2007, Complainants Megan J. Blain and Lori Stearns (collectively "Complainants"), filed Complainants' Motion To Dismiss, a motion to which Respondent – Complete Stop, Inc. ("CSI") - has not responded.

Having carefully considered the foregoing and being duly advised in the premises the undersigned Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") for the Indiana Civil Rights Commission ("ICRC") proposes that the ICRC enter the following findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order.

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Complainants' complaints allege that their terminations from CSI were the result of unlawful sexual harassment in violation of the Indiana Civil Rights Law, IC 22-9. ("the ICRL").

- 2. CSI disputed Complainants' claims of unlawful discrimination.
- 3. Complainants' Motion is expressly motivated by a settlement.
- 4. There is no evidence of fraud, coercion, duress, or any other reason not to approve the stipulated dismissal.
- 5. Any Conclusion Of Law that should have been deemed a Finding Of Fact is hereby adopted as such.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. The ICRC has jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties.
- 2. Settlement is a favored resolution and should be encouraged.
- 3. Administrative review of this proposed decision may be obtained by the filing of a writing specifying with reasonable particularity each basis for each objection within fifteen (15) days after service of this proposed decision. IC 4-21.5-3-29(d).
- 4. Any Finding Of Fact that should have been deemed a Conclusion Of Law is hereby adopted as such.

### **ORDER**

- 1. Complainants' Motion To Dismiss is **GRANTED**.
- 2. Complainants' complaints are **DISMISSED**, with prejudice.

Dated: 04 April 2007

Robert D. Lange Administrative Law Judge To be served by first class mail this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007 on the following parties and attorneys of record:

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